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AMENDMENT TO OFFICE ACTION DATED OCTOBER 11, 2001

In response to the Office Action dated October 11, 2001, please enter and consider the following remarks:

REMARKS

First, Applicant is submitting herewith a set of formal drawings for the present application. The set of drawings that were submitted with the Amendment dated July 10, 2001 was incorrect, and Applicant apologizes for the mistake. It is respectfully submitted that the objections to FIGS. 14A and 15 will be addressed by the formal drawings submitted with the present Amendment.

The pending claims stand rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over one or more claims USP 5,579,799, USP 5,816,279 and USP 5,467,794. Although Applicant does not agree with this rejection, in the interests of expediting the prosecution of this application, Applicant is submitting herewith a Terminal Disclaimer to overcome this rejection.